

IRELAND.

Record of the Most Important of the Recent Events Culled From Exchanges.

A branch of the United Irish League has been formed at Belmullet.

Most favorable reports about the crops in the district around Bantry are made so far.

John Quin, District Inspector at Manorhamilton, has been transferred to Rathmullen.

Reports about the crops in Fermoyle district say that they are the most prosperous looking in many years.

Cork Parnellites have scored a remarkable victory by the unopposed return of Mr. Slattery to the aldermanship of the Northwest ward.

The Clontarf regatta was an enormous success. At night the approaches to the township were literally blocked by crowds assembled to witness the fireworks.

John Alexander McMunn has been elected dispensary doctor in Ballymore. He was unanimously chosen as successor to his father, who had held the office for thirty years.

John Hamilton, J. P., chairman of the Manorhamilton Guardians, has resigned. For over nine years he conducted the business of the Union with credit to himself and the Guardians.

At the meeting of the Limerick corporation, the Mayor presiding, a resolution was adopted in favor of triennial instead of annual elections for members of corporations under the Irish local government bill.

Limerick was visited on Friday morning by an exceptionally severe thunderstorm. At Kildimo a man named Edward Fitzgerald, while sleeping with his brother, was struck by lightning and killed. The brother escaped without injury.

A number of men in Tuam and its neighborhood, are endeavoring to promote the prosperity of the town by the establishment of a horse fair on a large scale. The district is noted for the superior excellence of its horses, particularly in the class of hunters.

Dr. J. Magee Finney, Professor of the Practice of Medicine in the School of Physic of the University of Dublin, has been appointed by the Lord Lieutenant to the seat on the Board of Superintendence of the Dublin Hospitals, vacant by the death of Dr. Samuel Gordon.

A number of the children in Waterville talk Irish fluently and intelligently. All can say their prayers in Irish, and the Rosary is said every Sunday in the little chapel there by an advanced school boy and answered by the congregation. The parish priest, Father Martin, preaches in Irish.

The result of the contest for the Aldermanic vacancy in Dock ward, Belfast, created by the resignation of Sir Daniel Dixon was announced on Saturday, as follows: Hutton (Conservative Association), 1,091; Fleming (Labor), 446; McClelland (Independent), 226. There were 13 spoiled votes.

The death is announced of Rev. Mortimer O'Connor, the venerable pastor of Ballyunion. In the early days of the land agitation Father O'Connor was a notable figure in Kerry. His memorable fight for securing the Harene tenancy as peasant proprietors of their holdings will long be remembered.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Richard Burke, for many years the holder of the ancient and time-honored office of City Sword-bearer of Dublin. He had been in delicate health, but his decease was unexpected. The sad event took place at his residence, 9 Eblana terrace, North Circular road.

On Wednesday the great Mayo equine exhibition commenced at Hollymount. Accounts to hand are to the effect that the entries are once more very large, and a big attendance may be anticipated, a great number of those who assisted at Roscommon races previously continuing the journey to the popular show.

Mr. B. A. McSwiney, of the National Bank, College Green, has been appointed manager of the new branch of the bank, which was opened on Tuesday in Baggot street. Mr. McSwiney has for many years held a very responsible position in the head office of the bank, and his promotion will afford much gratification to the Dublin public.

The Flax Supply Association of Belfast reports that the acreage under flax in Ireland this season is considerably less than it was last year. The flax-growing industry in the north has entered a critical stage, and all interested therein are fully alive to its seriousness. In the district comprising a radius of six miles at Dungeness there are not twenty acres under that crop this year.

Rt. Rev. Dr. Coffey, Bishop of Kerry, has made many improvements in the Cathedral, Killarney. A new small spire has just been added to it on the eastern angle. The erection of the central tower is the heaviest and most costly undertaking to be faced. He is carrying out some considerable improvements in the interior of the sacred edifice. The organ gallery is being remodeled, and the improvements will lengthen the interior by twenty feet.

In beautiful weather the twenty-first annual open tournament of the Kings County and Ormond Lawn Tennis Club commenced on Tuesday. The arrangements were admirably carried out by an energetic committee with Dr. W. A. Morton as honorary secretary. The attendance of the public was very large and fashionable, and altogether the tournament is regarded as the most successful yet held by the club, which was one of the first established in Ireland.

The Dowager Countess of Bantry died lately. Her son Richard, who died some years ago, was the fourth and last Earl of Bantry; having no issue, the title died with him. The title was conferred on the White family for services rendered the British crown when the French landed in Bantry. Deceased was a daughter of

Mr. Herbert, of Muckross, Killarney. Interment was in the family vault in the local church. The Countess was a good woman, and very kind to the poor, it is said.

On Friday afternoon a serious explosion of gas took place in Glenart Castle, County Wicklow, occupied by Lord Crayford. It appears that there was an escape of gas, and the manager of the gas works was sent for. In looking for the escape with an open light an explosion took place. The housekeeper, Mrs. McKenzie, was struck with a broken fragment of a door post and her skull fractured. Two others were also injured. Dr. Halpin pronounced Mrs. McKenzie to be beyond all medical aid.

The death of Mr. Herbert Webb Gilman, J. P., Clontarfmore, Coachford, County Cork, is announced, and will be learned with much regret in archaeological circles in this country. Deceased, who was a member of a very old and well-known Cork family, was a distinguished scholar and served for many years as a Judge in India, where he devoted much attention to the question of currency. On retiring from the bench he returned to his Irish home, and since lived an active, useful life as a country gentleman.

On Monday the remains of the late Mr. F. O. Rutledge, whose sad and unexpected death occurred in London on the 20th ult., were removed from the Hollymount railway station for interment in the family burial ground, Hollymount. The remains were met at the station by an enormous concourse of mourners and the coffin, which was of polished oak, richly mounted and covered with numerous wreaths bearing expressions of sympathy and sorrow, was conveyed on the shoulders of the tenantry to its last resting place.

Last week a number of his intimate friends waited on Dr. J. J. MacGrath at his residence, 73 Lower Mount street, Dublin, for the purpose of making him a presentation on the occasion of his marriage. The presentation consisted of an illuminated address and a tea and coffee service of solid silver. The address referred to the many qualities, professional and personal, possessed by the doctor, the esteem in which he is held, and the success which has attended his career, a success which was crowned and would be shared by his amiable wife.

Nominations were made with the Cork Town Clerk, Mr. A. McCarthy, last week for the vacancy in the aldermanship of the Northwest ward caused by the resignation of Alderman M. Flavin. Only one candidate was nominated, Mr. John Slattery. Two papers were handed in on Mr. Slattery's behalf. In the first he was proposed by Alderman P. J. Madden and seconded by Mr. E. Twomey, and in the second he was proposed by Alderman E. Walsh and seconded by Mr. J. O'Neill. The compliment the burgesses of the Northwest ward have paid Mr. Slattery is most deserved.

All the corporations of Ireland have signed the petition urging upon the Government the necessity for the immediate settlement of the Irish financial grievance, and, along with these, nearly all the Town Commissioners in Ireland have adopted it. Practically all the Chambers of Commerce, including Dublin, Belfast and Cork, have done the same. The Harbor Commissioners have done likewise. So have the asylum boards and the guardians of about 150 poor law unions. No more unanimous expression of representative public opinion has ever sprung up and manifested itself in so unmistakable a way in Ireland.

Mr. James Dunphy, of Waterford, has a remarkable souvenir of the fighting days of '98. It is a short sword of peculiar workmanship, used by his grand-uncle, James Dunphy, who fought as a volunteer with the Vinegar Hill contingent, and who left behind him on that hard-fought field many a brave man from the Benvoy district of Waterford, where his nephew, Mr. Edmond Dunphy, at present resides. The weapon is similar to those worn by officers of '82 Volunteer, has the carved bronze hilt, a brass-bound scabbard, and is as nicely balanced and as deadly a weapon as ever a fighting man could desire to wield at close quarters. Mr. Dunphy values greatly this precious heirloom.

Under the auspices of the United Irish League, a Nationalist demonstration was held in Doonbeg lately. Landgrabbers were unsparringly whipped from a verbal point of view. Mr. Michael Mescall, chairman Kilrush Board of Guardians, presided. Every parish in West Clare was represented. Some bands were also present. The chairman called on the people to stand together as they did in the days of the Land League, and very soon landgrabbing would be exterminated root and branch. Mr. Michael J. Carmody, Kilrush, asked those who attended this grand demonstration to stick together as one man and victory would crown their efforts in the case of the tenant farmers. Mr. Matthew Kelly, Cree, President of the United Irish League, and Mr. Antony O'Dwyer also addressed the meeting. Resolutions condemning the landgrabbing were passed.

The Nationalists of Carlow Graigue were early in the field in their preparations for '98. Ten years ago a site was set apart and enclosed for a monument to the United Irishmen, and on Sunday last the work was completed by the unveiling of a beautiful Celtic cross, designed by Mr. W. P. Hade and executed by Mr. James Walsh, Carlow. It was a curious coincidence that the people on the occasion when the area was staked off were headed by the late Father Daniel Byrne, to whom the idea occurred to commemorate the martyrs, while Rev. George Byrne presided at Sunday's ceremony. The town was pervaded by a gala element, and the streets were radiant with arches, bunting and evergreen decorations. The St. Patrick's Branch Irish National Foresters, in their regalia and accompanied by the band, headed the procession, next came the leading Nationalists of Carlow. Large contingents came from Queen's County, Dublin, Tullow, Borris, Newtownsherry and various other centers. The chairman, after

unveiling the cross, delivered an eloquent speech, in the course of which he said if they honored and revered all the men who fought and died in '98, they honored and revered in a special manner the men who fell in the streets of Carlow.

A very successful demonstration in honor of the memory of the men of '98 was held on Sunday on the historic ground known as the Green of St. Mullin's, outside New Ross. The cemetery adjoining the Green is the last resting place of many who fought in the Wexford and Carlow battlefields in '98. The concourse of people, comprising about ten thousand, visited the graves of the patriots and reverentially joined with Rev. Father Norriss, of St. Mullin's, in reciting the "De Profundis" for the repose of their souls. The New Ross and Graig bands played the "Dead March in Saul," and the scene was intensely impressive. At the head of each grave a pike was planted, surmounted by a shield bearing the name of the occupant and the battle in which he fought. The devotional portion of the proceedings was followed by a stirring address by Father Norris. Mr. Patrick O'Leary, of Graig, read an interesting paper dealing principally with the history of St. Mullin and his contemporary native chieftains. Large contingents were present from Graig, New Ross, Borris, Bagnalstown and other adjoining districts.

RECENT DEATHS.

Thomas P. Clines, one of the best-known Irishmen of this city, died at his home, on East Gray street, last week, after a brief illness. For the past twenty-four years he had been an active member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and was a pioneer in the building up of that society in this city. He was holding the position of assistant engineer of the Custom House at the time of his death. Mr. Clines was a very charitable and unassuming man, whose good deeds made for him friends without number, who sincerely mourn his untimely taking off. His funeral, which took place from the Cathedral on Sunday afternoon, was largely attended, Division No. 1, A. O. H., acting as honorary escort. The funeral obsequies were conducted by Rev. Father Rock, who delivered one of the most eloquent and touching funeral orations ever heard in the Cathedral. The remains were consigned to rest in St. Louis Cemetery. The following gentlemen acted as honorary pall-bearers: Messrs. Edward Clancy, Thomas Dolan, John Mulloy, James Spellman, John J. Keane, James Concanon, James Coleman and Patrick Hardy. The active pall-bearers were James Rodgers, Matt O'Doherty, Thos. Morgan, John Davenport, John Hessian, John Hughes and Messrs. Conniffe and Cohen.

The following resolutions were adopted by Division No. 1, A. O. H., on the death of Thomas P. Clines:

Whereas, Almighty God in His omnipotent wisdom has seen fit to remove from our ranks Bro. Thomas P. Clines by the agency of death; and

Whereas, In said removal Division No. 1, A. O. H., has lost a zealous and faithful member and the community an honorable citizen, and his family a loving and kind husband and father; therefore be it

Resolved, That we mourn the loss of Bro. Thomas P. Clines as one whose place in our division could not be filled; and

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our sincere sympathy in this, their hour of sorrow; and be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of Division No. 1, A. O. H., and a copy sent to the family of our deceased brother.

DAVID O'CONNELL,
J. P. BARRY,
J. N. MULLOY,
Committee.

Mr. Henry Cassin, aged seventy-eight years, and a well-known and highly respected citizen, was found dead in his bed early Sunday morning at the family residence, 2112 Floyd street. He had appeared in his usual good health and his death was a surprise to the family. Death was due to heart failure, superinduced by old age. The deceased was the father of Mr. James Cassin, late superintendent of the registry division of the postoffice. He was also the father of Capt. Michael Cassin, of the No. 9 Engine Company, and of Mrs. Lawler, of this city. He was an uncle of Mr. Henry P. Cassin, assistant clerk of the United States District Court. The funeral, which was largely attended, took place from the residence at 8:30 o'clock Tuesday morning and from St. Mary Magdalene's church at 9 o'clock. The interment was in St. Louis cemetery.

Patrick Coleman, aged sixty-three years, died Sunday night at the family residence, 2132 Bank street, of general debility. He was well known in the western portion of the city and had many friends. Several grown children survive him. The funeral took place at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning from St. Cecilia's church and the interment was in St. John's cemetery.

District Attorney Daniel J. Kenefick, of Buffalo, said the other day that he believed the proposed Corbett-McCoy fight was in violation of law, and he meant to prevent it if possible. The clergymen of Buffalo issued a call for a meeting Thursday afternoon to devise plans to stop the fight. These two obstacles raised themselves, and the Hawthorne Club promoters have no public answer to make, except to insist that the contest will be within the letter of the Horton law, and that there will be no interference.

The fight between Harry Rodgers and John Guilbert Monday night was won by the latter on a foul in the fourth round. Rodgers had all the best of it, however. He outboxed Guilbert and knocked him down in the last round, but could not restrain from taking a punch at him as he lay on the floor, and thereby lost the decision. In the preliminary Steve Crosby got the decision over Jack Lamme, of Cleveland. Crosby had the best of it all the way through and won easily.

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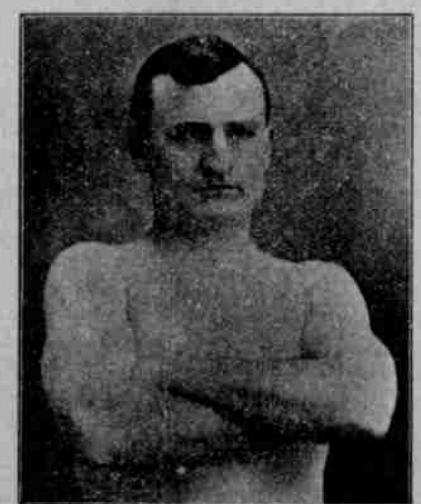
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AUSTRALIAN JIMMY SULLIVAN.

The above is a correct picture of Australian Jimmy Ryan, who won his bout from McDonough at Music Hall this week. He has already won five times in this city. Mr. Ryan is modest and unassuming, and there is nothing in his conduct or appearance to indicate the ordinary prize-fighter. He has made a host of friends in Louisville. Jimmy has posted a forfeit of \$75 to meet Bobby Douglas here August 25. He is anxious to make this match at once, as he has several other propositions under consideration.

Tom Lansing, who is one of Corbett's training corps, once played a similar role with Norman Selby. He boxed the Kid during the engagement of the "Land of the Living" in Louisville, and helped train him for fights with Dick Moore and Dick O'Brien. Asked for his opinion of the mill at Checktown, the Falls City lad studied a moment before he answered: "The fight will be a great one, but a careful one. Corbett can not afford to lose it, and he will not. There is much at stake for McCoy, but he has not as good a left as Corbett, and I think that the left will play a big part in the fight. McCoy is at the turn of the road, but I think he will have to go back a bit."—Cincinnati Post.

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